

but when the preacher is expected to do it all, and the members are irregular in attendance and seem to be indifferent in the work but very little will be accomplished.

On the evening of the 14th our communion at Vinco took place where one hundred and fifteen souls surrounded the table of the Lord. This was a meeting long to be remembered. We had with us Brethren E. B. Shaver and J. S. Bowman of Va. At the close of this service one young man came forward and demanded baptism of your humble servant, which will be administered next Saturday afternoon if nothing prevents.

On Sunday evening of the 17th, at the close of our revival effort, as already stated at this place, one hundred and thirty-two participated in the communion service. It passed off quietly, and was the largest I ever attended. One grand feature of this service was to see such a full turnout of the new converts and the manner in which they enjoyed the service. One other feature which I appreciated so much was the presence of our dear Bro. S. L. Buck of New Enterprise, Pa., one with whom I labored three years and who I have learned to love. The latch string of my door always hangs on the outside for Bro. Buck and a host of others whose names it is not necessary to mention. Our dear Bro. Buck addressed our Sunday school on Sunday afternoon to the satisfaction of all who heard him. Come again Bro. Buck.

The rallying of the forces at this place gives us hopes of more good work in the future and I feel assured that by thorough consecration and continuous devotion good work will be accomplished. Yet we desire the prayers of the faithful in the accomplishing of the good work.

J. F. KOONTZ.

NOTICE.

If any of the congregations of the Brethren church would desire the writer to deliver his "Biblical, Typical, and Analytical Map Lectures," shortly before, or after the National Conference and would make the proper arrangements he would be pleased to spend a few weeks in that work. The lectures consist in teaching the Bible in Type, and Antitype from the new illustrated maps prepared especially for this work. All communications should be addressed as below.

J. B. WAMPLER.

Blanco, Armstrong Co., Pa.

GLEANINGS FROM THE WAY SIDE.

NORTH MANCHESTER, IND.

I am happy as well as thankful that the Lord is blessing me with health and strength to again resume my usual labors. The work seems to be moving on nicely in my various charges. It was my privilege to attend communion service at Milford, Ind., in Bro.

Rench's charge; had a good meeting; from there we went to our appointment at College Corners; here we have a large attendance at our regular service many could not gain admittance last Sunday and Sunday night for want of space. Three more united with this class Sunday, men of influence in the community. They were baptized with three others that came out some time ago; they were very promising young people. Held communion on Monday night, which was largely attended by members and spectators.

The Brethren at College Corners are encouraged over their prospect. May the Lord continue to bless them. May the good work move on.

Yours for salvation,

WM SUMMERS.

JOHNSTOWN, PA., June 22, 1894.

The Brethren of the Conemaugh Valley are still endeavoring, in a quiet way, to keep the Gospel ship moving along.

Here in Johnstown, Bro. E. B. Shaver has been laboring with us as pastor since the early part of April. We have found in him an earnest, devoted and pains-taking worker in the vineyard of the Lord; and many are the expressions of regret from our members, because he feels that the church in his native state, Virginia requires his presence and labors, to which he purposes returning shortly.

Our Sunday School is running along quietly as it usually does at this season of the year, too quietly, we some times fear, as a more stirring interest toward increasing its numbers and attaining a higher degree of Spirituality, is desirable even in the hot months of the year.

On the 10th inst our Children's Day Services were held, and we had quite a pleasant time together, with a large and attentive audience.

Our young people find that it requires considerable labor to keep up the interest and attendance during the hot weather. At a recent meeting the majority of the members voted to continue the regular weekly meeting right along through the entire year.

The Young Peoples Organization, as well as our Sunday School, feels the loss of a helpful, active worker, since sister Belle Sterling left the city. Sister Sterling was teaching in the public schools of the city, and returned to her home in Fayette Co. at the close of the term. We are hopeful that she will return in the Fall.

The writer had the pleasure of attending the Children's Day Service, last Sabbath, of the Brethren Sunday School in the 17th Ward of our city. The hall in which they worship was handsomely decorated with flowers and ever greens. The children acquitted themselves very creditably in rendering in an entertaining manner an interesting programme that had been previously prepared for the occasion.

The Brethren Class here is made up of an active intelligent membership, the result of a mission established here by the local ministering brethren of the Johnstown Church a few years ago,

which has resulted in an abundant harvest, demonstrating again the wonderful results that may be brought about by labor and perseverance in the Master's cause.

Bro. Hayes stands at the van in the work at this point, but his labors are now being heartily seconded by a good number of earnest and devoted christian brethren and sisters.

An influential citizen of this ward was recently added to the number in the person of Bro. Joseph Stewart, who held a prominent as well as official position for years in the church of the Evangelical Association of this place.

Under the ministrations of our brethren he became convinced of the superiority of the Brethren Spiritual Edifice and expressed a desire to be taken within its portals and become a member of our family. In accordance with his wishes, Bro Shaver was called upon a few days ago to administer the initiatory rite.

ALBERT TRENT.

MUCH BUSINESS DONE.

BROOKLYN, IA., June 18th, 1894.

EDITOR EVANGELIST:—Friday evening, June 15th, was our regular business meeting to elect officers for the church; a delegate to district convention which was Brother H. M. Chase. Decided to fence our church lot and paint the church, the Sisters to furnish the paint and the Brothers to do the painting.

The following Saturday evening we held

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at which there was a good attendance. Some of the members drove nine miles; at the close of the communion two were baptized: one lady over 70 years old—the Sister was quite feeble—having to be helped down in the baptistry and out. The other, a little girl was baptized on Sabbath afternoon. The old sister met Bro. and Sister Flora at Bro. Porters and there they had a communion.

The dear old sister seemed so happy and said now if the Lord called her home was ready and willing to go and dwell with him above. The Sisters here at Brooklyn are doing a good work. Last year they cleared over two hundred dollars on decoration day. This year we cleared thirty-seven dollars. Sister Skinner presented the church with two silver wine cups which are very handsome. On Friday June 15th, the Sunday school held a picnic. Had exercises in singing, etc., all enjoyed themselves.

Our church mourns the loss of Sister Margaret Baker, wife of Brother H. M. Baker, age 55 years 4 months and 20 days. She lived a consistent Christian life. We feel our loss is her gain; she was a patient sufferer for many years. The funeral was largely attended and service was conducted by Bro. N. Flora. She was laid to rest in the Brooklyn cemetery.

Our Sabbath school is quite large and all take an interest in the work. Our King's Children are doing nicely. As this is my first attempt to write for a paper I ask your prayers that I may

do better in the future.

Mrs. D. BYERS, Cor. Sec'y.

YOUNG AND OLD AT THE LORD'S TABLE.

LA PAZ, IND., June 16th, 1894.

Our communion came and went with the evening of the 14th: we had a very pleasant and refreshing meeting. Forty-four brethren and sisters surrounded the tables. It was a lovely sight, many were quite young, and a few very aged, who perhaps will not many times partake of the emblematical feast, until they meet in that happy throng where Christ will be visibly with his people. Oh, the joy that fills the soul to have the assurance to be in that company if we but hold out faithful to the end. How delightful are the laws of the Lord. He fills our souls with gladness. Our cup of joy runneth over. We wish every soul might be saved.

Mrs. L. C. HOSTETLER.

GLENFORD, O., June 28th, 1894.

We had a very pleasant communion service on Friday evening June 15th. Just before services one came and united with the church. The members are encouraged to work with renewed effort.

C. E. DEFFENBAUGH.

AT THE LORD'S TABLE.

LAPAZ, IND., June 15th, 1894.

EDITOR EVANGELIST:—Last evening the brethren and sisters of the Lapaz class had a very enjoyable love feast at the Claybaugh school house, on the county line between Marshall and St. Joseph counties.

About forty or fifty members, some of them young in years, sat around the tables, and commemorated the death and sufferings of our adorable Redeemer, by partaking of the symbols of his broken body and shed blood. The occasion was one long to be remembered. We felt that the spirit of the Lord was with us. Elder I. N. Miller officiated. Lapaz class is in love and union. Harmony prevails. Brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified in the salvation of many precious souls.

JACOB ROTHENBERGER.

A LETTER.

ASTORIA, ILL., June 7th, 1894.

Enclosed find \$1.55 for the renewal of the EVANGELIST also one copy of the history of the Brethren church read by Bro. Bashor at the World's Fair. I think the EVANGELIST so much nicer in the new form. We cannot get along without it, as it is the only preacher we have I sometimes feel discouraged when I see what good is being done at other places and we here are doing nothing. But I earnestly hope we may, ere long, have some preaching that we may build up and become a church. Pray for us that we may hold out faithful.

Yours truly,

ELLEN SCHISLER.